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The Eagles face Louisiana Saturday in the Cajundome.

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Men's Basketball

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[Postgame radio interview](#) with [Quan Jackson](#) and [Mark Byington](#)

**MONROE, La.** – [Quan Jackson](#) scored 24 points, including 20 in the second half, and Josh Nicholas' half-court shot as time expired was a touch too strong as Georgia Southern outlasted ULM, 67-65, Thursday night in Fant-Ewing Coliseum.

## Eagles of the Game

Jackson made four 3-pointers in the second frame, including three in the final 7:16 of the contest, and finished the game with five steals. [Ike Smith](#) tallied 17 points, four rebounds and three assists, and [Simeon Carter](#) collected 13 points and nine rebounds. [Isaiah Crawley](#) notched 10 points and five boards.

## Key moments

After ULM trimmed a 17-point Eagle lead to 63-60 with 1:25 to go, Smith made a step-back jumper at the other end to push the margin to five. Michael Ertel, who finished with 30 points, answered with a pull-up jumper of his own, but Smith found Carter for a layup with the shot clock running down, giving GS a 67-62 cushion with 15.8 seconds remaining.

The Eagles forced a 3-point miss from the corner, and the ball bounced around before jumping into the hands of a spotted-up Eric Olonade, who drained a triple with 6.4 to go. The Eagles inbounded the ball to Jackson who was fouled, and the junior missed the front end of a 1-and-1. The ball was batted around before Nichols got it and let it fly from just over the half-court line, and it hit the backboard and came off the front of the rim.

The Eagles (14-10, 8-5) took control of the contest with a 21-3 run over the first 6:59 of the second half. Jackson scored nine during the stretch, while Smith and Carter each netted five points. Ertel scored 10 points as ULM (6-16, 2-11) used a 12-0 spurt to get back in the game, and his two free throws made the score 52-47 with 8:04 to go.

## Key stats

Jackson topped the 20-point mark for the third straight contest. The Eagles scored 19 points off of 18 Warhawk turnovers.

## Next up

GS takes on Louisiana Saturday in the Cajundome. Tipoff is set for 8 p.m. ET on ESPN+.